



The American Viola Society

Announces the

Second Biennial Maurice Gardner Composition Competition

Submission Deadline: December 15, 2011

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

Award: Cash award of \$1,000 and the winning composition will be performed at the 40th International Viola Congress at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York during the dates of May 30-June 4, 2012. The winning composer will be given, in addition to the prize, a travel stipend of \$300 for travel to Rochester, New York and will be provided with standard (dormitory) housing during the Congress. The composer will retain all publication rights. **The winning composer will be notified via email by March 1, 2012.**

Competition Rules: Compositions should be new, unpublished works; a maximum of 15 minutes in length; and must be for solo viola, viola and piano, or viola and electronic media. The competition is open to composers of all ages. Any interactive media required for the performance of the winning composition will be the responsibility of the composer.

Submission Guidelines: Entrants will submit both an audio recording and a highly legible copy of the score, either digitally (email MP3 and PDF files to info@AVSnationaloffice.org with the subject line “2012 AVS Gardner Competition”) or by mailing four CD copies of an audio recording of the entry and four copies of the score. The committee’s preference is for a live rather than MIDI realization, but either are acceptable. Scores will not be returned – do not send original copies of your manuscript. Photocopies are acceptable.

Anonymous Submission and Entry Fee: Adjudication will be anonymous, so scores and CDs must be submitted **without the composer’s name visible**. The applicant must include a completed application form (see next page) with their submission, or go to <http://www.acteva.com/booking.cfm?bevaid=223712> to complete the online application. A non-refundable application fee of U.S. \$50 must be included with the application either paid online or via the mail, using credit card (Visa or MC) or by check or money order made payable to “American Viola Society”.

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APPLICATION (or apply and submit entry online at <http://americanviolasociety.org/competitions/gardner/>)

Please type or print clearly

Applicant's Name: _____

Title of Composition: _____

Instrumentation: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

With my signature below I accept the competition guidelines and terms, and I guarantee that the enclosed manuscript is my original work and sole property.

Applicant's Signature: _____

PAYMENT OF \$50 ENTRY FEE

- Check/money order in U.S. funds, payable to American Viola Society
 Credit card (Visa, MasterCard or AmEx)

Credit card # _____ Exp Date _____

(Print) Name on card _____

SEND ENTRIES (SCORE, RECORDING & APPLICATION) TO:

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